



GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 9, 2022
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

10:00 a.m. Call to order
 Roll call
 Consideration of the minutes of the December 14, 2021, meeting
 Comments by the Chairman

STATE BUDGET UPDATES

10:05 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:

- The status of the general fund
- Selected special fund balances
- The status of federal state fiscal recovery funds and the federal Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund
- Plans for the release of agency guidelines for developing the 2023-25 biennium executive budget and the strategic review process

10:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding a template for agency fee reporting

CLASSIFIED STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION SYSTEM STUDY

10:40 a.m. Review by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of the classified state employee compensation system

10:45 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding the classified state employee compensation system, recent changes to the classifications, the reasons for the changes, and the costs and benefits of the changes

11:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding executive branch employees who received a cumulative salary increase of 15 percent or more since March 31, 2021, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44-04

11:40 a.m. Presentation of reports by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:

- Bonuses provided by state agencies to recruit and retain employees in hard-to-fill positions
- Employer-paid costs of training or educational courses
- Employer-paid costs for dues of professional organizations and service clubs

11:50 a.m. Comments by interested persons and committee discussion regarding the study

12:00 noon Recess

LAW ENFORCEMENT RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION STUDY

- 1:00 p.m. Review by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding a law enforcement recruitment and retention study
- 1:05 p.m. Comments by representatives of the following state agencies regarding the recruitment, retention, turnover, and training of law enforcement and correctional officers, including any challenges and efforts:
- Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
 - Highway Patrol
 - Attorney General's office
- 2:05 p.m. Comments by representatives of the following organizations regarding the recruitment, retention, turnover, and training of law enforcement and correctional officers, including any challenges and efforts:
- North Dakota Sheriff's Association
 - North Dakota Peace Officers Association
- 2:45 p.m. Comments by interested persons and committee discussion regarding the study
- 2:55 p.m. Break

CASH MANAGEMENT STUDY

- 3:05 p.m. Review by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the cash management study
- 3:10 p.m. Comments by representatives of the following state agencies regarding their roles in the cash management process of state funds, including current cash management practices, challenges with the timing of state revenues and expenditures, investment of state funds and investment returns, and suggestions for alternative cash management practices:
- State Treasurer
 - Bank of North Dakota
- 4:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons and committee discussion regarding the study
- 4:20 p.m. Other committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.legis.nd.gov>.

Committee Members

Representatives: Michael Howe (Chairman), Pamela Anderson, Jeff Delzer, Jared C. Hagert, Gary Kreidt, Lisa Meier, Corey Mock, Dave Nehring, Gary Paur, Mike Schatz, Jim Schmidt, Steve Vetter, Don Vigesaa

Senators: Brad Bekkedahl, Richard Marcellais, Ronald Sorvaag

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